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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Antonio F.D. Cabral**

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General  
 Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to prevent dropouts.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Antonio F.D. Cabral | 13th Bristol |
| Barbara A. L'Italien | 18th Essex |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to prevent dropouts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

Section 1 of chapter 76 is hereby amended by striking in lines 1 through 13 all between the word “minimum” in line 1 and the word “shall” in line 13, and inserting in place thereof the following: ages of six and eighteen, having completed at least the 12th grade or whichever comes first.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of chapter 76, Section 1 is hereby amended by striking in line 14 the word “said” and inserting in place thereof the word: “His”,

SECTION 3. Effective Date.  
This Act shall become operative on August 1, 2011.